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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, SF, WA

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: SWAPO'S POSITION

1. SOUTH AFRICAN AMBASSADOR SOLE CALLED DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY (IO) HELMAN APRIL 27 AND SAID HE HAD HEARD THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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SAM NUJOMA MET WITH THE SECRETARY AND HAD DISCUSSED THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH SWAPO WOULD ACCEPT THE CONTACT GROUP'S PROPOSAL.

2. HELMAN RESPONDED THAT NUJOMA INDEED HAD MET WITH THE SECRETARY THIS MORNING BUT THAT HE WOULD NOT WISH TO CHARACTERIZE THE NATURE OF THE DISCUSSION EXCEPT THAT

NUJOMA AND SWAPO ARE STILL CONSIDERING THEIR POSITION ON THE PROPOSAL.  $\label{eq:position} % \begin{subarray}{ll} \end{subarray} % \begin{subar$ 

3. HELMAN WENT ON TO RECOMMEND THAT SOLE CAUTION HIS GOVERNMENT NOT TO REACT TO PRESS REPORTS REGARDING SWAPO'S POSITION AND TO WITHHOLD ANY COMMENT ON ANY CONCLUSIONS SWAPO MIGHT REACH -- WHETHER AFFIRMATIVE OR NEGATIVE -- UNTIL SOUTH AFRICA DISCUSSES THE MATTER WITH THE CONTACT GROUP. SOLE SAID THAT HE WOULD REPORT THIS TO CAPE TOWN. VANCE

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